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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SENV, CA
SUBJECT: POPLAR RIVER

REF: STATE 182556

1. EMBOFF PROVIDED BRADY OF USA DIVISION IN EXTAFF REVISED
TEXT OF PROPOSED LETTER TO THE IJC AS REQUESTED IN REFTEL.

2. BRADY'S FIRST REACTION TO TEXT WAS TO EXPRESS GENERAL
CONCURRENCE WITH IT TEMPERED BY STRONG CAVEATS THAT CANADIAN
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAY WELL FACT CONSTITUTIONAL DIFFICULTIES
WITH SASKETCHewan PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OVER GENERAL ISSUE
OF POPLAR RIVER POLLUTION. DRAFT TEXT WOULD HAVE TO BE DIS-
CUSSED WITH SASKETCHewan GOVERNMENT AND BRADY WAS NOT SURE
HE WOULD BE ABLE TO OBTAIN PROVINCIAL CONCURRENCE PRIOR TO
AUG 26 MEETING. IT WAS HIS VIEW THAT SASKETCHewan MAY BE
RESTING ITS POSITION ON NARROW LEGAL INTERPRETATION OF
ARTICLE II OF BOUNDARY WATERS TREATY.

3. BRADY WAS ANXIOUS TO KNOW WHETHER MONTANA AND USG
OFFICIALS WERE GOING TO PRESS FOR A BROADENED AUGUST 26
MEETING WHICH WOULD CONSIDER OTHER ASPECTS OF POPLAR RIVER
PROBLEM. IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR HIM TO KNOW SINCE HE WOULD
HAVE TO APPROACH THE GOVERNMENT OF SASKETCHewan
ACCORDINGLY.

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4. COMMENT: IT WAS EVIDENT THAT CANADIAN FEDERAL GOVERN-

MENT IN GENERAL CONCURS WITH US ON POPLAR RIVER ISSUE.
EMBOFF RAISED POINTS MENTIONED IN PARA 2 OF REFTEL AND
BRADY GENERALLY CONCURRED IN ALL POINTS. HIS REAL PROBLEM
IS NOT THE THRUST OF US ARGUMENTS, BUT RATHER POSSIBLE
INABILITY TO GET SASKETCHewan TO COOPERATE AND
THAT SASKETCHewan MAY PRESS FORWARD ON BASIS ITS
INTERPRETATION OF ARTICLE II. END COMMENT.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
WHETHER MONTANA OFFICIALS AND USG WISH TO ENLARGE SCOPE OF
AUGUST 26 MEETING. EMBASSY MIGHT ALSO SUGGEST REVIEW OF ARTIC-
CLE II TO COUNTER ANY ARGUMENTS SASKETCHewan MIGHT
MAKE BASED ON THIS PROVISION OF 1909 TREATY.

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